

Azanian Manifesto

OUR GOALS

Our struggle for national liberation is directed against the system of racial capitalism which holds the people of Azania in bondage for the benefit of the small minority of white capitalists and their allies, the white workers and the reactionary sections of the middle classes. The struggle against apartheid, therefore, is no more than the point of departure for our liberatory efforts. Only the eradication of the system of racial capitalism can put an end to apartheid.

The black working class inspired by revolutionary consciousness is the driving force of our struggle. They alone can end the system as it stands today because they alone have nothing at all to lose. They have a world to gain in a democratic, anti-racist and socialist Azania, where the interests of the workers shall be paramount through worker control of the means of production, distribution and exchange. In the socialist republic of Azania, the land and all that belongs to it shall be wholly owned and controlled by the Azanian people. The usage of the land and all that accrues to it shall be aimed at ending all exploitation.

It is the historic task of the black working class and its organisations to mobilise the urban and rural poor together with the radical sections of the middle classes in order to put an end to the system of oppression and exploitation by the white ruling class. In the course of this struggle, one national culture informed by socialist values will come into being.

OUR PRINCIPLES

The successful conduct of the national liberation struggle depends on a firm basis of principle whereby we will ensure that the liberation struggle will not be turned against our people by treacherous and opportunistic "leaders" and their liberal allies. The most important of these principles are:

- * Anti-racism and anti-imperialism
- * Non-collaboration with the oppressors and their political instruments
- * Independent working-class organisation
- * Opposition to all alliances with ruling-class parties

OUR HUMAN RIGHTS

In order to achieve our goals on the basis of these principles, we pledge ourselves to struggle tirelessly for

- * The right work.
- * State provision of free and compulsory education for all.
- * Education shall be geared towards liberating the Azanian people from all forms of oppression, exploitation and ignorance.
- * State provision of adequate and decent housing for all.
- * State provision of free health, legal, recreational and other community services that will respond positively to the needs of the people.

OUR IMMEDIATE DEMANDS

- * The abolition of all laws that discriminate against our people on the basis of colour, sex, class, religion or language.
- * The abolition of all influx control measures and pass laws.
- * The right to form trade unions that will heighten revolutionary worker consciousness.
- * The abolition of all resettlement and group areas removals.
- * Reintegration of the bantustan human dumping grounds into a united Azania.

